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HOUSE RESOLUTION 170
By Davidson

A RESOLUTION to recognize Youth With A Mission and it's president, Mr. Frank Naea.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of this state should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary institutions, whose members and leaders have given unselfishly of themselves, their time, and their talents to perpetuate the public good; and

WHEREAS, Youth With A Mission is one such remarkable entity, as it is a voice of integrity in Nashville through its bountiful missions work; and

WHEREAS, an active addition to Nashville, Youth With A Mission has encouraged and hosted many persons to devote their lives to serving Christ through the Great Commission for forty years. The members of Youth With A Mission have hosted thousands of young people in the inner city of Nashville, and throughout the world, teaching them to live exemplary lives, while giving a reason for the hope they profess; and

WHEREAS, during it's forty-year tenure, Youth With A Mission has proven itself to be a valuable asset to the community and the state at large; and

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WHEREAS, Youth With A Mission is comprised of people from diverse educational backgrounds, denominations, ethnicities, and ages; and

WHEREAS, Youth With A Mission was founded in 1960 in answer to God's call to mobilize young people for the purpose of spreading the message of Christ to the entire world; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank Naea joined Youth With A Mission in 1981, and began innovative programs for mobilizing and training young people through Polynesian Ministries. He became the National Director for New Zealand in 1993 and the Pacific Regional Director in 1994; and

WHEREAS, a missionary, educator, mobilizer, and evangelist, Frank Naea is an international leader and is the incoming president of Youth With A Mission. As a visionary, Mr. Naea has pioneered in the mobilization of missionaries and in cross-cultural evangelism and is excited with anticipation in being able to use his past experiences to help further the cause of this great mission and to boldly lead them into the 21st century and the new millennium; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville Chapter of Youth With A Mission is a part of the original mission statement to evangelize and encourage others to spread the message of good news; and

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 people are involved in short-term work with Youth With A Mission, while more than 14,000 others work as permanent staff in 650 operating locations in 160 nations; and

WHEREAS, throughout their excellent service as ambassadors of Christ, they have adhered to the common sense approach to evangelism, leading the way to recapturing the hearts of the youth of our generation; and

WHEREAS, a concerned organization of caring persons whose willingness to help those in need knows no bounds, Youth With A Mission is highly regarded in the Nashville community; and

WHEREAS, Youth With A Mission is comprised of people who are totally committed to family and the highest ideals of public service and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we salute Frank Naea, President of Youth With A Mission, and everyone affiliated with Youth With A Mission for making the great state of Tennessee, and the world that we live in, a better place.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.